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RESPONSE TO COMMENTS AND FINAL FEDERAL AGENCY-TO-AGENCY PROPERTY TRANSFER, ENVIRONMENTAL SUMMARY DOCUMENT FOR CERTAIN PROPERTY (PARCEL 5a2), MARINE CORPS AIR STATION (MCAS) EL TORO

Dear Mr. Gould:

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) reviewed the responses to comments and the final version of the above document dated August 2001 that were received electronically on September 10, 2001. The responses were provided for DTSC comments forwarded in a letter dated August 6, 2001. DTSC finds that our comments have been adequately addressed and incorporated into the final document.

The environmental summary document summarizes the environmental condition of Parcel 5a2 that is also referenced as Installation Restoration Program (IRP) Site 1, Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) Range. The parcel consists of about 73.7 acres of property in the northeast portion of the base that is anticipated to be transferred to the United States Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI).

Upon transfer, the FBI plans to use the property for purposes similar in nature to past use as an EOD Range. The Department of the Navy (DON) plans to allow the FBI to access and use a 3.3-acre area of IRP Site 1 (Subparcel) immediately following transfer. The Subparcel has been evaluated and the environmental condition is classified as Area Type 3 where a release of hazardous substances has occurred, but at concentrations that do not require a removal or remedial action. The environmental condition of the remainder of Site 1 is classified as Area Type 6 where release, disposal, and/or migration of hazardous substances has occurred, but required response actions have not yet been implemented. As a result, access to the remaining portion of the IRP Site 1 (about 70.4 additional acres) will be restricted until completion

The energy challenge facing California is real. Every Californian needs to take immediate action to reduce energy consumption. For a list of simple ways you can reduce demand and cut your energy costs, see our Web-site at www.dtsc.ca.gov.



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of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act investigation and remediation process.

Please contact me at (714) 484-5395 if you have any questions.

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